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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence  
SUBJECT : Comments on Projections Coordination

1. The draft memorandums prepared by Howard Stoertz appear to be a fair and accurate recording of last week's meeting. We are in general agreement with the procedures proposed in the memos. I do question the need to establish ad hoc teams to work on the projections problems. It appears that normal teamwork among offices would be sufficient to effect the required coordination.

2. As you are aware, the work involved in coordinating the DIA DIPP can become quite extensive. If, however, we coordinate only on the portions of the DIPP which correspond to the NIEs, as stated in the memo, the workload can be handled.

3. I would urge that all efforts be made to have the DIPP and the NIE on any particular subject prepared as close together in time as possible. This will ease the workload considerably. If, for example, the DIPP and the NIE on a particular subject get six months apart, I can see us going through a detailed NIE-type process twice a year on the same subject. In this light we should make every effort to have the DIPP follow the NIE publication by the minimum amount of time.

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